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ALTERNATE REDUCED SIZE ON-SCREEN POINTERS FOR ACCESSING SELECTABLE ICONS IN HIGH ICON DENSITY REGIONS OF USER INTERACTIVE DISPLAY INTERFACES

Abstract

In an interactive display interface, an implementation switching to an alternate smaller sized cursor when the original sized cursor does not have the minimum clearance between the target icon and other adjacent icons to permit a clear user selection of the target icon. A predetermined minimum clearance factor is set. As the cursor moves toward the target icon, there is a determination made as to whether the arrangement of the target icon with respect to its adjacent icons exceeds the minimum clearance factor. If not, there is an implementation for reducing the size of the cursor so that the minimum clearance factor is exceeded.